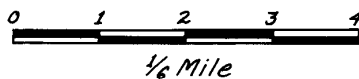
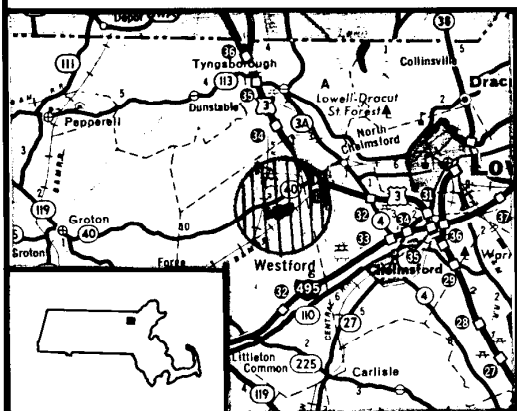


NABNASSET POND
(WESTFORD)
Area: 115 Acres

LOCATION



NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES

NABNASSET POND (Westford)

General Information:

This 115-acre pond is located about two and a half miles north of Westford center. Maximum depth is 28 feet; average depth about 14 feet, and transparency is excellent at 14 feet. Aquatic vegetation, both submerged and emergent, is abundant and common throughout the pond. There is a large marsh surrounding the western inlet; other than that area, the shoreline is heavily developed with year round homes and summer cottages.

Public access is very limited at this pond, both for boaters and shore fishermen. Unless an angler is lucky enough to know a landowner that lives on the pond, the only access is the town beach at the pond's southeastern tip. Canoes and car top boats can be launched here and there is some shoreline fishing available in the immediate area, but fishermen are forced to compete for parking and shoreline space with swimmers and other recreational users during the summer.

Fish Populations:

A summer survey conducted on this pond in 1982 recorded 11 species: largemouth bass, chain pickerel, smallmouth bass, yellow perch, pumpkinseed, bluegill, black crappie, yellow bullhead, brown bullhead, white sucker and golden shiner.

Fishing:

This pond is best known for its variety of average size fish. No species appears to be dominant or overly abundant and large fish appear to be extremely scarce, but any angler can enjoy good action here by utilizing a variety of fishing tactics and terminal tackle. Try fishing the western marshy section for pickerel, the southern drop-offs for smallmouths, the eastern weedbeds for largemouths, or almost anywhere for perch. As with many ponds with poor access, one of the best options at this pond is ice fishing.

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